This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims (deleted text being struck through and added text being underlined):

1. (Previously Presented) A receptacle system for powering an electronic device, the system comprising:

a receptacle having an interior compartment;

interfacing means for interfacing with the electronic device;

processing means on the receptacle for processing signals from the electronic device received through the interfacing means;

powering means mounted on the receptacle for powering the electronic device; and

illuminating means for illuminating the interior compartment of the receptacle.

2. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the powering means comprises a rechargeable battery mounted on the receptacle.

3. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the powering means comprises a battery charger mounted on the receptacle for connecting to the electronic device through the interfacing means for charging a battery of the electronic device.

4. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the interfacing means comprises a power charging plug removably connectable to the electronic device.

5. (Cancelled)

6. (Original) The system of claim 1 additionally comprising alarm means for producing an alarm upon triggering of the alarm means.

7. (Original) The system of claim 6 wherein the alarm means comprises an audible alarm apparatus that emits an audible sound upon triggering of the alarm apparatus.

8. (Original) The system of claim 6 wherein the alarm means comprises a silent alarm apparatus that does not emit an audible sound when triggered.

9. (Original) The system of claim 6 wherein the alarm means comprises means for transmitting environmental sounds detected about the receptacle over a telecommunication device when the alarm means is triggered.

10. (Original) The system of claim 1 additionally comprising a microphone mounted on the receptacle for detecting sound about the receptacle.

11. (Original) The system of claim 1 additionally comprising a display screen mounted on the receptacle.

12. (Original) The system of claim 11 wherein the display screen is located on an exterior of the receptacle, the display screen being operably connected to the processing means, the display screen being operably connectable to the electronic device through the interfacing means.

13. (Original) The system of claim 1 additionally comprising an antenna mounted on the receptacle, the antenna being operably couplable to the electronic device through the interfacing means.

14. (Original) The system of claim 1 additionally comprising a global positioning satellite (GPS) receiving system mounted on the receptacle and being operably connected to the processing means.

15. (Original) The system of claim 1 additionally comprising telecommunication means mounted on the receptacle and being operably connected to the processing means.

16. (Original) The system of claim 1 additionally comprising a vibrator mounted on the receptacle, the vibrator being operably connectable to the electronic device through the interfacing means such that the vibrator vibrates when a call is being received by the electronic device.

17. (Original) The system of claim 16 wherein the receptacle includes a carrying strap, the vibrator being located adjacent to the carrying strap.

18. (Original) The system of claim 2 additionally comprising a charging base for inductively charging the rechargeable battery of the powering means when the receptacle is positioned adjacent to the charging base.

19. through 21. (Cancelled)

22. (Previously Presented) A user operable personal alarm apparatus comprising:

a camouflaging receptacle adapted for a user to carry or wear;

a liner disposed within and cooperating with the camouflaging receptacle so as to form a concealed cavity; and

a circuit including:

alarm circuitry, including an alarm switch disposed upon the camouflaging receptacle and adapted for operation by the user; and

telecommunications circuitry disposed within the concealed cavity and in electrical communication with the alarm circuitry;

wherein, the alarm circuitry is adapted to provide an alarm signal to the telecommunications circuitry upon operation of the alarm switch; and

wherein, upon receipt of the alarm signal, the telecommunications circuitry is adapted to initiate a radio telephone communication to a predetermined emergency assistance service within a radio telephone system.

23. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 22, wherein the circuit further comprises:

positioning circuitry in electrical communication with the telecommunications circuitry, the positioning circuitry adapted to determine the location coordinates of the receptacle and to provide a signal to the telecommunications circuitry corresponding to such location coordinates;

wherein, upon establishing such radio telephone communication with the emergency assistance service in response to such an alarm signal, the telecommunications circuitry is adapted to provide a radio signal to the emergency assistance service corresponding to such location coordinates.

24. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 23, wherein the positioning circuitry comprises a global positioning satellite (GPS) receiver.

25. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 22, wherein the camouflaging receptacle comprises a purse.

26. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 22, wherein the circuit further comprises voice interface circuitry adapted to accept audible input from the user, the voice interface circuitry in electrical communication and cooperating with the alarm circuitry so as to provide a voice activated alarm signal upon such audible input from the user.

27. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 22, wherein the circuit further comprises a microphone disposed upon the camouflaging receptacle, the microphone in electronic communication and cooperating with the alarm circuitry and with the telecommunications circuitry so as to detect and transmit environmental sounds to the emergency assistance service in response to such an alarm signal.

28. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 22, wherein the liner further cooperates with the camouflaging receptacle so as to form a liner cavity;

wherein the camouflaging receptacle further comprises a closure means providing access to the liner cavity; and

wherein the alarm switch is disposed upon camouflaging receptacle so as to be operable by the user without accessing the liner cavity.

29. (New) The apparatus of claim 22, wherein the concealed cavity is located between the liner and the receptacle.

30. (New) The system of claim 1 wherein the receptacle includes a liner panel defining at least a partial lining of the interior compartment of the receptacle, and wherein the processing means and the powering means are positioned in the interior compartment of the receptacle between the liner panel and the receptacle.

31. (New) The system of claim 1 wherein the processing means and the powering means are substantially permanently integrated into a wall structure of the receptacle.

33. (New) The system of claim 1 wherein the powering means comprises a rechargeable battery mounted on the receptacle;

wherein the powering means comprises a battery charger mounted on the receptacle for connecting to the electronic device through the interfacing means for charging a battery of the electronic device;

wherein the interfacing means comprises a power charging plug removably connectable to the electronic device;

alarm means for producing an alarm upon triggering of the alarm means, the alarm means comprising an audible alarm apparatus that emits an audible sound upon triggering of the alarm apparatus, the alarm means further comprising a silent alarm apparatus that does not emit an audible sound when triggered, the alarm means comprising means for transmitting environmental sounds detected about the receptacle over a telecommunication device when the alarm means is triggered;

a microphone being mounted on the receptacle for detecting sound about the receptacle;

a display screen being mounted on the receptacle, the display screen being located on an exterior of the receptacle, the display screen being operably connected to the processing means, the display screen being operably connectable to the electronic device through the interfacing means;

an antenna being mounted on the receptacle, the antenna being operably couplable to the electronic device through the interfacing means;

a global positioning satellite (GPS) receiving system being mounted on the receptacle and being operably connected to the processing means;

telecommunication means mounted on the receptacle and being operably connected to the processing means;

a vibrator being mounted on the receptacle, the vibrator being

operably connectable to the electronic device through the interfacing means such that the vibrator vibrates when a call is being received by the electronic device;

wherein the receptacle includes a carrying strap, the vibrator being located adjacent to the carrying strap;

a charging base for inductively charging the rechargeable battery of the powering means when the receptacle is positioned adjacent to the charging base;

wherein the illumination means comprises a pair of illumination panels poisoned on opposite ends of the interior compartment of the receptacle;

wherein the alarm means is configured to be capable of being manually triggered by a finger of the user, the alarm means being configured to be triggered from an exterior location on the receptacle; and

wherein the alarm means is configured to be triggered by at least partial removal of the carrying strap from the receptacle.